

Thompson. This revised schedule, which is being adopted by all State Colleges, is as follows: Correspondence courses, \$9.00 per semester hour; extension-undergraduate courses, \$9.00 per semester hour; extension-graduate courses, \$10.00 per semester. Upon the recommendation of President Thompson, Mr. Harlin moved that the proposed revised schedule as outlined above be adopted, effective September 1, 1960. Mr. Hammons seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

President Thompson outlined the schedule of night courses which will be inaugurated at Western with the beginning of the fall semester. The response to this new augmentation to the College program was described by the President as very enthusiastic. Upon the recommendation of President Thompson, Dr. Edds moved that a few of \$6.50 per semester hour credit be established for the night classes. The motion, seconded by Mr. Harlin, carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Mr. Hammons moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dr. Edds and unanimously adopted.

*Etta J. Runner*  
Secretary

*H. Bemis Lawrence*  
Vice-Chairman

#### Minutes of Board Meeting

December 13, 1960

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College was held at 1:30, Central Standard Time, in Room 1710 of the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky, on December 13, 1960. There were present Mr. Bemis Lawrence, Vice-Chairman; Mr. Owen Hammons; Mr. Douglas Keen; Mr. Maxey B. Harlin; and Dr. Gerald Edds.

Mr. Wendell P. Butler, Chairman, and Mr. Hugh Poland were unable to attend.

Also present were President Kelly Thompson; Miss Etta J. Runner, Secretary to the Board; Mr. Billy Smith, Business Manager; Mr. L. T. Smith, Physical Plant Administrator; Miss Georgia Bates, Secretary to the President; and Mr. Robert M. Coleman, Bowling Green attorney.

In the absence of Chairman Wendell P. Butler, Vice-Chairman Lawrence presided.

The meeting opened with a prayer of invocation by Mr. Harlin.

The motion was made by Mr. Keen that the minutes of the meeting of September 1, 1960, be adopted without a reading, inasmuch as each member had previously received a copy. The motion, seconded by Mr. Harlin, carried unanimously.

President Thompson stated that the Board was fortunate in having Judge Coleman present for the opening of the meeting, and that he would like to suggest that item 14 of the agenda, which dealt with the proposed purchase of seven parcels of land, be moved up for discussion at that time. Before presenting Mr. Coleman, President Thompson exhibited a campus map and pointed out the parcels of land, which are located on the Russellville Road, adjacent to property owned by Western. Mr. Coleman described in detail the real estate under consideration as to location, ownership, etc., and reported on negotiations to date in the proposed acquisition of the land. After the matter was thoroughly discussed, Dr. Edds moved that the following resolution be adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it has become necessary for the orderly expansion of the facilities of Western Kentucky State College and for the construction of improvements thereon, that the Board of Regents of said College acquire the following described parcels of real estate located on the West side of the Russellville Road lying between the Russellville Road and the L. & N. Railroad Right-of-Way and being parcels numbered as follows:

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Parcel No. 8, Block 9, Aerial Photo No. 21  
Parcel No. 9, Block 9, Aerial Photo No. 21  
Parcel No. 19, Block 9, Aerial Photo No. 21  
Parcel No. 18, Block 9, Aerial Photo No. 21  
Parcel No. 10, Block 9, Aerial Photo No. 21

as shown by the records of the Warren County Assessor's office.

AND WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College is authorized by KRS 164.410 to acquire such real estate as may be needed for the purpose of the College -

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the real estate herein above described be acquired either by private negotiation with the owners thereof, or if necessary by condemnation proceedings;



2. That President Thompson be authorized to employ attorneys on behalf of the Board of Regents for the purpose of negotiating with the owners of said property for the purchase thereof, or for the condemnation thereof if necessary; the price to be paid therefore to be approved by the Kentucky State Property and Building Commission;
3. That the attorney employed by President Thompson (Mr. Coleman) be authorized to take any steps necessary on behalf of the Board of Regents, or the appropriate State Agency for the acquisition of said land.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Hammons and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Harlin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Keen,  
Dr. Edds, Mr. Hammons

Nay: None

At this time, Mr. Coleman excused himself from the meeting.

President Thompson reported on the fall 1960 enrollment. He stated that the all-time high enrollment of 3,599 represented an increase of 23.4 percent over the same period a year ago, and added that the adequacy of housing and feeding facilities would be the primary factor in determining future enrollments.

The announcement of a grant of \$81,600 by the National Science Foundation for a "Summer Institute for High School Teachers of Science and Mathematics" was made by the President. He stated that this grant is the tenth award that the College has received from the Foundation in the past three years for a total of \$326,280.00. He added that such grants greatly stimulate the faculty and administrative staff, in addition to the great service that is rendered to the participants of the institutes.

President Thompson announced the launching of an institutional self-study which "is designed to cover every aspect of the total operation of the College." He said that the self-study, which will utilize the efforts of every member of the Western faculty and administrative staff, is essentially designed to aid the College in reassessing objectives, explore ways and means by which educational efficiency may be improved, and prepare for the ever-increasing demands of the future upon the college. He added that this 2-year program could well chart a path that Western could follow with a great deal of confidence for the next decade.

The next item on the agenda was a brief report by President Thompson on Western's relationship to the State Commission on Public

Education. He stated that he was attending a meeting, called by the Governor in Frankfort on the following day at which would be defined the role that State-supported institutions of higher education would follow in the study as outlined by the Commission.

The Report of Audit for the period July 1, 1958, through June 30, 1959, copies of which were mailed to the Board members on October 26, 1960, was presented by the President. The motion was made by Mr. Hammons that the audit be accepted. The motion, seconded by Mr. Keen carried unanimously. President Thompson advised that the audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1960, was being completed by Yeager, Ford and Warren and would be ready for distribution to Board members within the very near future.

President Thompson gave a report on faculty needs for the second semester. He advised of the resignation of Dr. William Eckhardt, a member of the Department of Psychology, and of the employment of Dr. Elsie Dotson to fill this vacancy. The employment of Mr. Jack Neale in the Department of History and of Mr. William Strunks in the Department of Foreign Languages was also announced. A motion was made by Mr. Harlin that President Thompson be authorized to accept such resignations and employ such personnel as may be necessary to move the College into the second semester. The motion, seconded by Mr. Hammons, was unanimously adopted.

A check in the amount of \$632,736.54, delivered by Mr. Billy Smith from the Housing and Home Finance Agency in Atlanta, and in payment of South Hall (men's dormitory No. 3), was presented by President Thompson. The check, which was endorsed by the Board members present, is to be delivered to the State Treasurer of Kentucky for reimbursement of money advanced by the State Department of Finance for the construction of this dormitory.

In reporting on progress of buildings now under construction on the campus, the President advised that he believed the contractor was behind schedule on the science building and that the College would take all possible steps to have this building completed on the date specified in the contract. A negative report was also made on construction progress of men's dormitory No. 4, also scheduled to be completed in time for occupancy at the opening of the 1961-62 school year. President Thompson stated that the College would, as in the case of the science building do everything possible to have the contractor complete the project on schedule. In connection with this dormitory, identified as Project No. Ky. 15-CH-41 (D), Mr. Keen made the motion, with a second by Mr. Harlin, that the following resolution be adopted. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Harlin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Keen,  
Dr. Edds, Mr. Hammons

Nay: None



### RESOLUTION

That the Loan Agreement between Western Kentucky State College and the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Project No. Ky. 15-CH-41 (D), Contract No. H-302-468, having been submitted to the Board of Regents by President Kelly Thompson, be hereby ratified as executed. This ratification includes the signing of the aforementioned Contract No. H-302-468 by Mr. Wendell P. Butler, Chairman of the Board.

The naming of new buildings was briefly discussed, and Mr. Lawrence suggested that Mr. L. T. Smith take the preliminary steps for the formation of a committee to make recommendations following a study of the matter.

At this point of the meeting, President Thompson excused himself to accept a telephone call from Governor Bert Combs. At the conclusion of the telephone conference, he conveyed the best wishes of the Governor to the members of the Board.

The next item on the agenda was a proposed 400-bed dormitory for women. In reporting on the housing situation and the available area for new dormitories in the proximity of the main campus, President Thompson stated that he had been advised that the cost for a 400-bed dormitory would be slightly less than that for two 200-bed dormitories. The preliminary plans for this project were outlined by the President, and the following resolution was presented:

### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College hereby -

1. Authorizes President Kelly Thompson to submit and sign such documents, statements and exhibits as is necessary to complete the processing of the loan application No. CH-Ky-48 (D), residence hall for women, in an amount not to exceed \$1,350,000.00.
2. Authorizes him to take such action as is necessary to bring about the final execution of the contract between Western Kentucky State College and the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That it is the intention of the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College to approve said loan, in the amount listed above, at a meeting subsequent to the final execution of the contract.

The motion was made by Mr. Hammons, and seconded by Mr. Harlin, that the above resolution be adopted. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Harlin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Keen,  
Dr. Edds, Mr. Hammons

Nay: None

Programing phase plans for the proposed construction of a new Physical Education Building were outlined by the President. Described as the top priority need of the College, the President exhibited architect drawings for a circular type combination classroom building-gymnasium-auditorium. He stated that such a building would cost in the neighborhood of two and one-half million dollars and that approximately 65 percent of the funds needed would be derived from revenue-producing bonds, with the balance to be sought from the State as a capital outlay appropriation. After a thorough discussion the following resolution was introduced:

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Board of Regents of Western Kentucky State College, having this date reviewed the programing-phase plans of the proposed new Physical Education Building to be erected on the Western campus; and

Whereas, the Board of Regents, having studied the urgent need of this facility and being convinced of its appropriateness as a part of the over-all plan to expand classroom facilities, to provide for an adequate tymnasium, and to bring into being an all-purpose-auditorium; and

Whereas, through the creation of this facility, the College will then have available the present Physical Education Building for the expansion of other departments needing additional classroom space,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that President Kelly Thompson be authorized to proceed with all possible haste in bringing this badly needed educational structure into reality.

Be it further resolved that, as the plans for this new Physical Education Building progress, the Board lend its every effort to the Western President, the Governor of Kentucky, the Commissioner of Finance



of Kentucky, the Director of the Division of the budget of Kentucky, the Chief of the Staff of Engineering of Kentucky, and all other involved individuals and agencies that this building may become a reality at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Keen moved for adoption of the above resolution. Mr. Hammons seconded the motion and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

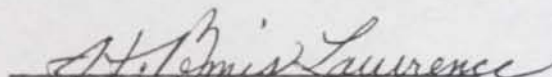
Aye: Mr. Harlin, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Keen,  
Dr. Edds, Mr. Hammons

Nay: None.

Brief reports were given by the President on a proposed modern, up-to-date security center for police headquarters, the relocation of athletic fields, and general campus improvements.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. Hammons, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary

  
Vice-Chairman